Air-Assault Brigade Combat Team-Afloat

Using Container Ships as Afloat Forward Staging Base (AFSB)

Capabilities provided to JFC

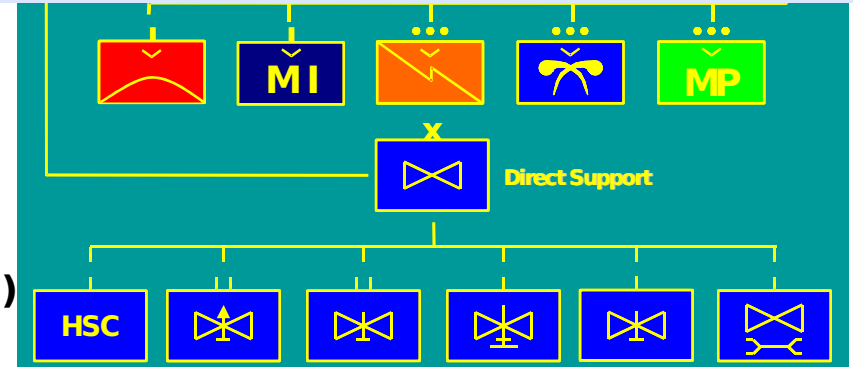
- Useful in a forcible entry environment
  - Complements and reinforces MAGTF
  - Increases vertical maneuver capability
- Capability to conduct vertical maneuver
  - 110 naut mi / 126 stat mi in 50 hours
  - 200 naut mi / 230 stat mi in 80 hours

Peacetime Disposition

- 1 ship fully operational w/ AASLT TF-afloat in EAL
- 3 ships w/equip at Diego Garcia (incl helos)

Ship Characteristics

- Converted container ship
- 1000 ft helicopter launch deck
- 30 helicopters / 1,000 soldiers
- 6 – story office space (TOC)
- Dry cargo area
- Area for ammunition



Personnel

~ 4,000

Helicopters

24 AH-64D
53 UH-60L
16 CH-47D
93 Total

Bde Combat TM

117 Inf Sqds
60 TOW HMMWVs
12 81mm MTR
18 60mm MTR
58 JAVELIN
84 Mk 19
84 M2 .50 Cal
18 105mm HOW
1 Q36 Rdr
9 AVENGERs
15 Stingers
2 Sentinel Radar
6 SEE
2 JD-450
3 GSR Teams
1 CGS
1 TRQ-32
1 TLQ-17

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